

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested. No amendments to the claims have been made at this time.

Claims 1-21 have been provisionally rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 14-20 of co-pending application U.S. Pat. App. No. 11/122,477.

Applicants note that U.S. Pat. App. No. 11/122,477 (the "477 application") is directed to a process that is completely unrelated to the present invention (specifically, a "color changing paint removing composition"), and filed by an applicant completely unrelated to present Applicants.

It is presumed that the Examiner intended for the double patenting rejection to be based on co-pending U.S. Pat. App. No. 10/518,916, and it is on that basis that the Applicants direct all remaining remarks. Applicants respectfully point to the fact that the present provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection is the only rejection remaining for the instant application, and that the cited co-pending '916 application has yet to receive a first action on the merits. As such, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection and allowance of the claims.

Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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